### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN DIVISION

JERRY LEON DEES, JR.,	)	
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Plaintiff,	)	
	)	<b>CIVIL ACTION NO.:</b>
<b>v.</b>	)	2:07-cv-00306-MHT-CSC
	)	
HYUNDAI MOTOR MANUFACTURING	)	
ALABAMA, LLC, and HYUNDAI MOTOR	)	
AMERICA, INC.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	

### DEFENDANTS' MOTION IN LIMINE AND SUPPORTING AUTHORITIES TO EXCLUDE TESTIMONY CONCERNING GENERAL ALLEGATIONS OF BAD CORPORATE CONDUCT

Defendants Hyundai Motor Manufacturing Alabama, LLC ("HMMA") and Hyundai Motor America, Inc. ("HMA") (collectively "Defendants"), through undersigned counsel, respectfully move this Court in limine for an Order directing Plaintiff, his witnesses, and his attorneys not to mention or bring before the jury, either directly or indirectly, upon voir dire, reading of the pleadings, statement of the case, interrogation of witnesses, argument, or objections before the jury of any of the following without first having called such matters to the Court's attention, out of the presence of the jury, and obtained a favorable ruling as to the admissibility of any such matters.

This motion in limine is specifically directed to any testimony, comments, or argument that: (1) HMMA and HMA were not meeting their corporate obligations; (2) that HMMA and HMA were engaged in any alleged fraud or other criminal conduct (e.g., "Enron"-type conduct);

(3) any reference that HMMA and HMA or any related entities are part of a "chaebol;" (4) any reference to Hyundai Motor Company's ("HMC") Chairman Chung Mong Koo's conviction for embezzlement and breach of trust (as well as other charges), his resulting sentence, and the subsequent suspension of that sentence; (5) any general allegation of bad conduct by these corporate entities not directly relevant to any claims in this suit; and (6) any bad conduct or wrongdoing by other corporations not parties to this case. In support of this motion, Defendants state:<sup>2</sup>

- 1. The impetus of this motion comes from several clearly improper lines of questioning utilized by Plaintiff's counsel during the deposition of Wendy Warner, conducted November 15, 2007. Ms. Warner is employed as the Manager for HMMA's Employment and Benefits departments.
- 2. For example, Plaintiff's counsel asked Ms. Warner numerous questions about Chung Mong Koo, the Chairman of Hyundai Motor Company ("HMC"), his family, and his recent sentence and subsequent release. See Warner Depo., pp. 64-67, attached hereto as Exhibit 1. It is undisputed that HMC is not a party to this proceeding. Plaintiff's counsel further questioned Ms. Warner:
  - Why is it that that's the standard and Mr. Chung Chairman Chung gets convicted of wrongfully diverting money from financially healthy members of Hyundai Motor Group, he's sentenced to, I think, six years in prison and he's welcomed back with open arms in the company and yet here you've got a war hero named Leon Dees who sleeps on the job and he is terminated?<sup>3</sup>

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Plaintiff's counsel defined this term as a "family-controlled dynasty," see infra at paragraph 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In order to streamline the pleadings in this action, Defendants have included the applicable authorities in support of their motion in limine concerning general allegations of bad corporate conduct. Defendants respectfully request that this pleading be considered both as a motion and supporting brief.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Exh. 2, Warner Depo. Transcript, pp. 192-193.

- 3. Also during this deposition, Plaintiff's counsel asked Ms. Warner regarding whether Hyundai was a "chaebol," or a family-controlled dynasty. Exh. 1 at pp. 64-65. Plaintiff's counsel's improper line of questioning continued with examples such as:
  - Well, he'd [Chairman Chung] probably be outraged that Mr. Dees got fired, wouldn't he?
  - Well, let's just assume that Mr. Chung did work at HMMA and say, embezzled a hundred million dollars, what would you do as an HMMA HR person?<sup>4</sup>
- 4. Such allegations that have no bearing on the subject matter of the claims in this case are not relevant to Plaintiff's allegations, and would be intended solely to unfairly prejudice Defendants. Fed.R.Evid. 401, 402, 403, 608.
- 5. Any evidence of character traits, morality, or reputation of HMMA and HMA, or existing or former employees or representatives of HMMA and HMA, or any other corporate entity, including but not limited to Chairman Chung Mong Koo and HMC, or any reference to the reputation of such individuals for having such character traits, including evidence of other alleged wrongs or acts not relevant to the claims in this case, should be excluded from evidence. Fed.R.Evid. 404, 608(b).
- 6. Moreover, global references to the corporate character, morality, or reputation of HMMA and HMA as a whole should be excluded. <u>Id.</u>

WHEREFORE, premises considered, HMMA and HMA respectfully request that this Court enter an Order precluding Plaintiff, Plaintiff's witnesses, and Plaintiff's attorneys from introducing into evidence, making comments or giving any testimony concerning, or making any argument relating to, general allegations of bad corporate conduct by HMMA and HMA or other

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Id. at Exh 2, Warner Depo., pp. 193-94.

corporate entities (including, but not limited to, HMC) in the presence of the jury. Likewise, HMMA and HMA request the Court to give limiting instructions at the appropriate times to avoid the concerns addressed by Fed.R.Evid. 403.

Respectfully submitted this 31st day of March, 2008.

#### /s/ J. Trent Scofield

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on the 31st day of March, 2008, I electronically filed the foregoing *Defendants' Motion in Limine and Supporting Authorities to Exclude Testimony Concerning General Allegations of Bad Corporate Conduct* with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following: W. Perry Hall, Vincent F. Kilborn, III, David Allen McDonald, Jeffrey Rayborn Sport, Timothy A. Palmer, T. Scott Kelly, and Matthew K. Johnson.

/s/ J. Trent Scofield
J. Trent Scofield (SCO-024)

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## EXHIBIT 1

**Defendants' Motion in Limine and Supporting Authorities to Exclude Testimony Concerning** General Allegations Of Bad Corporate Conduct

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	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	1	Automotive Group?
2	THE WITNESS: No. We do have supplier	2	A I've heard of it, yes.
3	meetings with all of the tier one suppliers and Glovis	3	Q Do you know what it is?
4	does attend, but they're human resources folks so we,	4	A No.
5	again, exchange information, support from a human	5	Q Do you know anything about its structure?
6	resources situation, but it's called a supplier meeting	6	A Not really.
7	that human resources and purchasing tries to support	7	Q Financial, legal, corporate, otherwise?
8	the suppliers with information. And, again, same as we	8	A No.
9	did at Toyota, same as other transplants do to support	9	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
10	their suppliers in their base here.	10	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Does HMMA, L.L.C. have
11	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) You used a term and I	11	members?
12	didn't write it down. Is there a term for these	12	A Has members, does L.L.C. have members?
13	meetings?	13	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
14	A It's called a supplier meeting.	14	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) I was asking you that
15	Q Supplier meeting?	15	question.
16	A Uh-huh. They supply various components and	16	A I don't understand. Obviously, I don't know,
17	parts to build the vehicle and so you have to have a	17	so I don't understand the question.
18	real close relationship as well as a just-in-time type	18	Q Does HMMA, L.L.C. have stock?
19	of operation.	19	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
20	Q And how often are these meetings held?	20	THE WITNESS: Not that I know of.
21	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	21	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Explain to me then the
22	THE WITNESS: Quarterly.	22	legal or business control of HMMA, L.L.C. How is it
23	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Quarterly?	23	controlled if it's not owned by stockholders and
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1	A Uh-huh.	1	doesn't have a Board of Directors, it doesn't have
2	Q And the last one was when?	2	officers?
3	A I didn't go, but team relations went and	3	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
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2	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	2	think, he got six years in prison but then he was let
3	THE WITNESS: In reading newspapers, I	3	out because he was so important to the company?
4	believe it's called chaebol.	4	A Yes.
5	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Right. Do you know how	5	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
6	that's spelled?	6	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Or the country?
7	A I'd be guessing.	7	A I did read that.
8	Q Okay. What is your understanding from your	8	Q Okay. And did you read where he apologized
9	reading what a chaebol is?	9	to the country for his criminal acts?
10	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	10	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
11	THE WITNESS: Just that it's a family-owned	11	THE WITNESS: Yes.
12	company.	12	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) And did you read that he
13	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Is that what Hyundai is?	13	and his son own sixty percent of Glovis?
14	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	14	A I didn't remember that part.
15	THE WITNESS: I'd be guessing. I don't know.	15	Q Did you Did you remember that his son and
16	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) From what you know, what		he as part of this apology had given the sixty percent
17	you've seen at Hyundai and what you've read about a	17	of Glovis that they own to some charity?
18	chaebol is, do you think that Hyundai is a chaebol?	18	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
19	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	19	THE WITNESS: No.
20	THE WITNESS: Again, I'd be guessing.	20	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Would it be correct to say
21	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) I've heard it referred to	21	then that you, Wendy Warner, have no knowledge about
22	as a chaebol. Have you heard that?	22	the legal, financial structure of HMMA, HMA or HMC?
23	A Just in newspapers that I've read.	23	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
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1	Q And what type of newspapers have you read?	1	THE WITNESS: Yes.
2	A I read some of the Korean newspapers to stay	2	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) And that you have no
3	current with Hyundai.	3	knowledge about the business structure of those
4	Q Okay. Are they translated into English?	4	companies except what you know about the human
5	A Yeah.	5	resources —
6	Q Are they made available by the expats or HMA	6	A Yes.
7	or HMMA?	7	Q - department?
8	A No, just my own research.	8	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
9	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	9	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) So you, Wendy Warner, are
10	THE WITNESS: My own information.	10	strictly a human resources person within HMMA?
11	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Okay. And have you read	11	A Yes.
12	that Hyundai is an authoritarian management structure?	ŧ	Q You don't have access to legal matters,
13	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	13	financial matters, accounting matters, supply
14	THE WITNESS: I have not read that.	14	matters
15	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Have you read anything	15	A No.
16	about the corporate structure of the various Hyundai	16	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
17	corporations?	17	Q (BY MR. KILBORN) - manufacturing matters,
18	A No.	18	any other operational matters at all?
19	Q Did you read about Chairman Chung's	19	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
20	indictment and conviction for embezzlement and other	20	THE WITNESS: Yes, that's correct.
21	crimes?	21	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) And this isn't an
22	A Yes.	22	endurance test, so any time you want to get up and take
23	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	23	a break, let me know.
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## **EXHIBIT 2**

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1	can go through or we can take a break.	1	an individual that purposefully was sleeping on the
2	THE WITNESS: How much longer do you	2	job, yes.
3	anticipate?	3	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) And what is it about
4	BY MR. KILBORN: Several hours I'd say.	4	sleeping on the job with Mr. Dees that lifted it to a
5	THE WITNESS: We probably need to break then	5	firing offense?
6	•	6	A He was not in the location where he should
7	(Whereupon, there was a recess held in the	7	have been working. He was sitting in a chair with two
8	deposition.)	8	of the doors opened to allow him privacy to sleep and
9	1	9	it was observed by a member of our management.
10	BY MR. KILBORN: Trent, I'm just going to	10	Q So he was in the wrong location and what
11	mark that Hyundai file that you gave me. I think it's	11	else?
12	1 through 93.	12	A Sitting in a chair sleeping with a pillow and
13	BY MR. SCOFIELD: The one in connection with	1	two of the doors that were open to an area that is only
14	our original document production?	14	used very rarely. He was on the third floor of the
15	BY MR. KILBORN: This is just the format that	15	building, not on the first floor where the stamping
16	you gave it to me.	16	presses are in the department where he works.
17	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Okay.	17	Q And you said that he had pillows?
18	BY MR. KILBORN: I just thought it was easier	18	A My understanding was that he did have a
19	to just refer to Bates Number.	19	pillow that was propped up.
20	BY MR. SCOFIELD: That's fine.	20	Q Like what kind of pillow?
21	BY MR. KILBORN: And once we copy the	21	A Something to for his head. I don't know
22	personnel file, then I'll be able to identify what part	22	if it was pillow, but it was something propped up to
23	of this is personnel. I think it's 1 through 75.	23	hold his head up to sleep.
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1	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Whatever works with you	1	Q So basically HMMA determined that you had a
2	guys.	2	deliberate, willful, egregious sleeping on the job?
3	BY MR. KILBORN: I'm just trying to be	3	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
4	efficient.	4	THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
5		5	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Okay. Why is it that
6	(Whereupon, Plaintiff's Exhibit 9 was marked	6	that's the standard and Mr. Chung Chairman Chung
7	for identification and copy of same is	7	gets convicted of wrongfully diverting money from
8	attached hereto.)	. 8	financially healthy members of Hyundai Motor Group,
9	,	9	he's sentenced to, I think, six years in prison and
10	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Ms. Warner, are you ready?	10	he's welcomed back with open arms in the company and
11	A Yes, sir.	11	yet here you've got a war hero named Leon Dees who
12	Q Ms. Warner, I understand that Mr. Dees was	12	sleeps on the job and he's terminated? How do those
13	terminated because he slept on the job; is that	13	two standards fit?
14	correct?	14	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
15	A Yes, sir.	15	THE WITNESS: Again, there's no correlation
16	Q Is sleeping on the job always a firing	16	because Mr. Chung doesn't work for HMMA. Leon Dees
17	offense at HMMA?	17	does work for HMMA and we have policies and procedure
18	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	18	pertaining to this particular plant that he did not
19	You can answer.	19	follow.
l	THE WITNESS: To the degree that he was found	20	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) But Mr. Chung basically
20		1	started the company, started the plant, started HMMA
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21	sleeping on the job, yes. We have had situations that	21	
21 22	sleeping on the job, yes. We have had situations that individuals had sleep apnea or they fell asleep, just	22	and controls it, doesn't it?
21	sleeping on the job, yes. We have had situations that	1	

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1	THE WITNESS: He doesn't fall under the	1	reality.
2	jurisdiction of our policies and procedure, Leon Dees	2	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Or just assume that he
3	does.	3	did, would that be a firing offense?
4	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Why doesn't he?	4	A Of course.
5	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	5	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Same objection.
6	THE WITNESS: Because Mr. Chung doesn't work	6	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) To your knowledge, have
7	for HMMA.	7	any expats been terminated for sleeping on the job?
8	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) So Mr. Chung has a	8	A Not that I'm aware of, no. And, again, that
9	different standard?	9	would have been under the HR coordinator's rule of
10	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	10	engagement.
11	THE WITNESS: I would assume so. Again, he	11	Q Have any of the expats been terminated,
12	is not one of my employees, Mr. Dees is.	12	period, to your knowledge?
13	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) You think Mr. Chung it	13	A Not that I'm aware of, no.
14	called to testify in this case would say I sure do	14	Q And you've been there, what, a little over
15	think he should have been fired?	15	four years?
16	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	16	A Uh-huh.
17	THE WITNESS: It would be speculation on my	17	Q Have you ever seen any of them sleeping on
18	part. I don't know what he would say.	18	the job?
19	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Well, he'd probably be	19	A No, sir.
20	outraged that Mr. Dees got fired, wouldn't he?	20	Q Take a look at Exhibit 9. This is a
21	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	21	collection of documents produced by Hyundai, Bates
22	THE WITNESS: I wouldn't know. I'd be	22	Numbered 1 through 93. I'll just refer to them by
23	speculating on what someone would think or feel or say.	23	Bates Number.
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1	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) But you did meet him,	1	A Okay.
2	right?	2	Q The first document, document number 1, is a
3	A Mr. Chung?	3	letter that you wrote to Mr. Dees dated March 7, 2007.
4	Q Right.	4	Did you write that letter yourself?
5	A Yes, at a dinner.	5	A It's a standard letter that's drafted by our
6	Q And you did speak to him?	6	team relations group, but I did review it and did know
7	A He thanked me for my service and I thanked	7	that it was being sent out.
8	him as well.	8	Q But my question is: Did you draft it?
9	Q Well, let's just assume that Mr. Chung did	9	A No.
10	work at HMMA and, say, embezzled a hundred million	10	Q Do you have personal knowledge of the
11	dollars, what would you do to him as an HMMA HR person	11	information in there?
12	A I would have to	12	A Yes.
13	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	13	Q And how do you know that he was, quote, left
14	THE WITNESS: investigate it before I	14	a phone message on March 2nd, 2007?
15	would make any kind of conclusion or supposition about	15	A My assistant manager in team relations,
16	it.	16	Rob Clevenger, informed me of that.
17	Q (BY MR. KILBORN:) Well, let's say you	17	Q So it's what somebody told you?
18	investigate it and you found that he diverted you	18	A That's correct.
19	know, he criminally diverted over a hundred million	19	Q Well, is there anything in there that you
120	dollars?	20	know of of your own personal knowledge as opposed to
20		01	hearsay?
21	A Supposition on my part again.	21	iicai say.
21 22	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	22	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.
21	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form. THE WITNESS: It's not something that's	1	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.  THE WITNESS: This information was given to
21 22	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.	22	BY MR. SCOFIELD: Object to the form.

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